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Applicant: James A. Belmont Group Art Unit: 1625  
Application No.: 09/672,328 Examiner: Oh, Taylor V.  
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For: **MODIFIED PIGMENTS HAVING STERIC AND AMPHIPHILIC GROUPS**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 4, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.